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FOLLING TEL SENT ACTION SAIGON IMMEDIATE DTD FEB 20 1975 REPEATED

QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS PINT MILI VS

SUBJECT: GVN CRACKDOWN ON BAO AN

1. SITUATION REMAINS QUIET IN ALL HOA HAO AREAS. MR4  
POLICE REPORTS INDICATE THAT UP TO THE FEB 15 AMNESTY DEADLINE  
OVER 1,700 BAO AN HAD BEEN ARRESTED. OF THESE SOME 1100  
WERE DESERTERS AND 600 WER WITHOUT IDENTITY PAPERS OR OTHERWISE  
IN ILLEGAL STATUS. REPORTS ALSO STATE THAT APPROXIMATELY 1,000  
BAO AN, MOSTLY DESERTERS, SURRENDERED TO GVN. POLICE RE-  
PORTEDLY CONFISCATED 60 INDIVIDUAL AND 4 CREW-SERVED WEAPONS.  
A T T H E R 814 INDIVIDUAL AND 16 CREW-SERVED WEAPONS HAVE  
BEEN TURNED IN TO THE GVN. ACCORDING TO POLICE, THIS ACCOUNTS  
FOR ALL BUT A HANDFUL OF PF WEAPONS SEIZED BY BAO AN UNITSS.

2. INTENSIVE POLICE OPERATIONS AGAINST DRAFTDODGERS AND  
DESERTERS ARE BEING RENEWED AFTER A WEEKLONG PAUSE DURING TET  
HOLIDAY AND PRIOR AMNESTY EXPIRATION.

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3. PROVINCE CHIEF IN CHAU DOC TOLD ME HE HAS SOLVED BAO AN PROBLEM IN HIS PROVINCE WITH SOME 800 EVADERS RALLYING TO FLAG. MORE RECALCITRANT ELEMENTS HAVE LEFT PROVINCE WITH ARMS FOR AN GIANG WHERE THEY HAVE GATHERED AT TAY AN PAGODA, HQ OF TUONG FACTION. P.C. CONFIDED THAT HE EXPECTS TROUBLE IN AN GIANG IF GVN ATTEMPTS MOVE FORCEFULLY AGAINST REMNANTS OF BAO AN.

4. MR4 COMMANDER LAST NIGHT REATED TO ME HIS UNWILLINGNESS TO USE FORCE AGAINST HOA HAO AND CAMBODIANS OR ENTER PAGODAS TO ARREST EVADERS.

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